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SUSPECTED ACUTE MI

FIELD ASSESSMENT/TREATMENT INDICATORS

- 1. Chest Pain (Typical or Atypical).
- 2. Syncopal episode.
- 3. History of previous AMI, Angina, Heart Disease, or other associated risk factors.

BLS INTERVENTIONS

- 1. Recognition of signs/symptoms of suspected AMI.
- 2. Reduce anxiety, allow patient to assume position of comfort.
- 3. O_2 as clinically indicated.
- 4. Obtain Oxygen saturation.
- 5. May assist patient with self-administration of Nitroglycerin and Aspirin.

LIMITED ALS INTERVENTIONS

- 1. Aspirin 162mg.
- 2. Consider early vascular access.
- 3. For patients with chest pain, signs of inadequate tissue perfusion and clear breath sounds, give 300ml NS bolus, may repeat.
- 4. Nitroglycerin 0.4mg sublingual/transmucosal, may repeat in three (3) minute intervals if signs of adequate tissue perfusion are present. Nitroglycerin is contraindicated (signs of inadequate tissue perfusion or recent use of sexual enhancement medications).
- 5. Consider establishing a saline lock enroute on same side as initial IV.
- 6. Complete thrombolytic checklist, if time permits.
- 7. Contact Base Station.